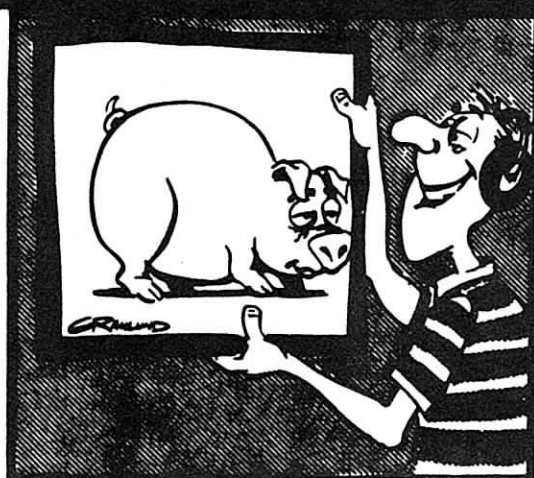


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THE FRAMINGHAM AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION MEETS
THE FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:30 PM AT
THE DANFORTH MUSEUM. ALL AMATEURS AND PERSONS
INTERESTED IN AMATEUR RADIO ARE INVITED.
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THE NEXT MEETING OF THE FRAMINGHAM AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION WILL BE OUR ANNUAL PICNIC/BARBECUE HELD AT THE QTH OF JOHN MACLEOD AND HIS GRACIOUS XYL, MARILYNN, AS IN THE PAST. THE DATE IS SUNDAY, AUGUST 15TH STARTING AT 1:00 PM. THE BEER, SODA AND CHARCOAL GRILLES ARE SUPPLIED BY THE ASSOCIATION. YOU, BRING THE FOOD OF YOUR CHOICE.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME, BRING YOUR XYL, YL, HARMONICS AND FRIENDS FOR A GRAND TIME, MEETING OLD FRIENDS AND MAKING NEW ONES. IN THE PAST THIS HAS BEEN A REAL OLD FASHIONED GOOD TIME. TALKIN 147.15/.75 OR 52 DIRECT. SEE YOU THERE. MAP ON LAST PAGE.....

YOUR EDITOR IS IN THE PROCESS OF MOVING TO HOLLISTON. MY NEW ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER WILL BE ON THE MASTHEAD OF THE SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER. SO, IF THIS NEWLETTER SEEMS A LITTLE MIXED UP PLEASE BEAR WITH ME...JIM WA1UEH.....

**** LAST MEETING ****

August, 1982

OUR NEXT FLEA MARKET WILL BE AT THE NEW LOCATION, THE FRAMINGHAM CIVIC LEAGUE BUILDING ON 214 CONCORD STREET, ROUTE 126. THE TABLE RENT WILL BE \$10.00 PER TABLE BY RESERVATION IN ADVANCE. THE ADMISSION FEE WILL BE \$2.00, THE SAME AS LAST YEAR, ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31ST. THE NEW AND LARGER FACILITY SHOULD GIVE US MORE SPACE IN THE AISLES FOR BROUSERS AND THE HANDICAPPED.....

FIELD DAY PLANS WERE FINALIZED, MORE IN THIS ISSUE.....

IT WAS VOTED TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE ARRL LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR \$1.000.000 DOLLARS TO PROTECT THE ASSOCIATION FROM DAMAGES, INJURY ETC. THIS IS YEAR ROUND INSURANCE COVERING FIELD DAY, PICNICS, BANQUETS, FLEA MARKETS, ASSOCIATION MEETINGS AND MEMBERS AND OFFICERS WHILE CONDUCTING ASSOCIATION BUSINESS. WE HAVE BEEN VERY LUCKY IN THE PAST AND THIS INSURANCE FILLS A LONG FELT NEED. THIS IS A VERY COMPREHENSIVE POLICY, I WILL GET THE DETAILS FROM RON K1YHM, OUR TREASURER FOR INCLUSION IN A LATER NEWSLETTER.....

OUR ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN MARC N1BLH DISCUSSED WITH MANY RESTAURANTS AND HOTELS THE FEASIBILITY OF HOLDING OUR 50TH BANQUET AT THEIR ESTABLISHMENTS. MARC CHECKED OUT KEN'S SREAK HOUSE, THE CHATEAU DE VILLE, SHERATON TARA AND OTHER ESTABLISHMENTS . AFTER MUCH DISCUSSION IT WAS DECIDED THAT WE HOLD OUR 50TH BANQUET AT THE SHERATON TARA. MENUS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR YOUR SELECTION OF THE DINNER YOU WOULD LIKE AT A LATER MEETING.

NO DATE HAS BEEN SELECTED BUT IT WILL BE ON A SATURDAY NIGHT IN MARCH OR APRIL. LEW K1AZE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOUR SUGGESTIONS AS TO WHO YOU WOULD LIKE AS A GUEST SPEAKER OR SPEAKERS.

THE ACTUAL COST FOR THE DINNER WILL BE IN THE VICINITY OF \$27.00 PER PERSON AND IT WAS DECIDED TO CHARGE \$15.00 PER PERSON TO ASSOCIATION MEMBERS AND THEIR WIVES. THIS IS NOT FIRM AS YET, MORE DETAILS IN A LATER EDITION OF THE NEWSLETTER.....

A ROUGH DRAFT OF OUR NEW BYLAWS, NECESSARY, DUE TO OUR BECOMING INCORPORATED, WAS DRAWN UP BY LEW K1AZE, RON K1YHM AND HOWARD WA1VFJ AT A MEETING HELD AT LEW'S QTH, TO BRING OUR BYLAWS IN LINE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS. THE ROUGH DRAFT WAS READ BY OUR SECRETARY HOWARD WA1VFJ .

THE BYLAWS WILL BE FURTHER REFINED, A COPY MADE AVAILABLE TO ALL MEMBERS, AND VOTED ON BY THE ASSOCIATION AT A LATER DATE.....

THE FOLLOWING OFFICERS WERE REELECTED TO OFFICE FOR ANOTHER YEAR. LEW NYMAN K1AZE PRESIDENT, JIM BOATES WA1UEH V. PRESIDENT, RON EGALKA K1YHM TREASURER, HOWARD DAVIS WA1VFJ SECRETARY AND MARC STERN N1BLH ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN.....

ED FREEMAN WA1LGO WAS ELECTED TO MEMBERSHIP IN OUR ASSOCIATION. ED LIVES IN FRAMINGHAM AND IS WELL KNOWN IN THE MUSIC WORLD.....

**** FIELD DAY ****

IF THERE ARE TWO CERTANTIES ABOUT AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS, THEY ARE; 1. HAMS LOVE TO OPERATE AND 2. LOVE TO EAT. AT THIS YEARS' FIELD DAY BOTH WERE FULFILLED IN GOOD MEASURE.

FIELD DAY THIS YEAR DAWNED BRIGHT, BUT THREATENING. SINCE MOST OF THE WEEKENDS IN JUNE HAD BEEN RAINED OUT, IT WAS ONLY NATURAL TO ASSUME THIS ONE WOULD BE, TOO, BUT, THE WEATHERMAN HAD A SURPRISE UP HIS SLEEVE. AS THE DAY[JUNE 26] WENT ON IT BECAME BETTER AND BETTER.

THE WORK CREW GATHERED BEFORE 9 A.M. TO BEGIN THE PROCESS OF SETTING UP THE STATIONS. WHILE SOME OPERATORS WERE AT THE SITE, OTHERS WERE RUNNING AROUND THE AREA COLLECTING SOME OF THE MANY ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE ANNUAL EVENT. MAC WA1IGL, FIRST COLLECTED THE GENERATOR FROM JERRY KIAIU, THEN TO THE QTH OF JULIE W1DL FOR VARIOUS ZOOM-UPS AND MAST SECTIONS. JULIE W1DL WAS ON VACATION IN MICHIGAN AND WAS SORELY MISSED AT THE EVENT. THEN, HE COLLECTED THE W1FY COOK TRAILER OF DICK WA1KUG WHO SPENT THE WEEKEND HAPPILY KEEPING THE MANY OPERATORS AT THE SITE SUPPLIED WITH GOOD HOT FOOD [HIS CHILI, MEXICAN CHICEN AND BREAKFAST MENUS WERE REALLY SOMETHING.]

THEN THE TASK OF SETTING UP THE SITE AT THE FRAMINGHAM RECREATION AREA BEGAN. THE FIRST STATION READY TO GO WAS THE 15 AND 10 METER. IT WENT ON THE AIR PROMPTLY AT THE 2PM START. ED KA1CHC, GEORGE N1GB AND MARC N1BLH MANNED THIS POSITION AT THE START.

40 METERS WAS READY TOO USING AN INVERTED VEE. MANNING THIS STATION AT TIMES DURING THE EVENT WERE JEFF WB9PZD, MAC WA1IGL, LINDSAY KA1EMQ AND OTHERS. EVEN SOME OF OUR XYL'S GAVE AN EARLY HAND AT THE SITE. MARJIE STERN KA1HIA [WHO ALSO PROVIDED HOME MADE COOKIES FOR DESSERT] COULD BE SEEN SITTING AT THE 40 METER TABLE DURING THE FIRST HOURS OF THE EVENT.

CRUCIAL OPERATING TIME WAS LOST ON 20 METERS BECAUSE OF AN ANTENNA WHICH REFUSED TO WORK ACCORDING TO HOYLE. K1YHM, HIS FRIEND FRAN WA1WEV LEW K1AZE, N1BLH AND ED W1NXC TRIED FOR TWO HOURS TO GET THE CLUBS NEWLY PURCHASED TWO-ELEMENT 20 METER BEAM OPERATING. IT WASN'T UNTIL ED W1NXC SUGGESTED REVERSING THE FEEDLINE THAT THE ANTENNA LOADED UP PROPERLY. WHEN THIS HAPPENED, MUCH TO THE RELIEF OF LEW K1AZE WHO SPENT A GOOD DEAL OF TIME ON THE ROOF OF WN1TKD'S TRAILER -- THE 20 METER OPERATING POSITION AND COMMUNITY BEDROOM DURING THE EARLY MORNING HOURS -- 20 METERS WENT ON THE AIR AND THE CREW BEGAN TO COLLECT CW CONTACTS.

IT WAS THEN THAT THE FIELD DAY ROUTINE SETTLED DOWN TO LONG HOURS OF OPERATING INTERSPERSED WITH DICK WA1KUG'S GOOD EATING.

BECAUSE OF THE PRESSURE OF WORK, OUR USUAL 80 METER BANDMASTER JIM WA1UEH COULDN'T MAKE THE EVENT. BECAUSE OF THIS THE 40 METER STATION DOUBLED ON 80 METERS DURING THE EVENING.

USING A TRI-BAND BEAM, 10 AND 15 METERS STAYED ACTIVE LATE INTO THE NIGHT, USING VHF WHEN THE BANDS DRIED UP.

DURING THE EVENING, THE RANKS OF THE OPERATING TEAM SWELLED WHEN TWO OF OUR VOICES FROM THE OUTSIDE WORLD, ARNIE K1BPM AND HIS XYL SUE KA1DUF ARRIVED AT THE SITE. THEY WERE ACCOMPANIED BY LEW K1AZE AND HIS XYL KAREN KA1BYP.

THE LONG OVERNIGHT VIGIL BEGAN ABOUT 11 PM., WHEN BOB DAY WB1FXR ARRIVED AND PUT IN SOME OPERATING TIME. HOWEVER, THE LONG HOURS TOOK THEIR TOLL AND SOON THE OPERATORS HIT THE HAY. BUT, LINDSAY KA1EMQ KEPT THE FLAG FLYING WITH 80 AND 40 METER CW OPERATION.

MAC WA1IGL, AS USUAL RAN MANY ERRANDS FOR THE EFFORT BUT GOT IN A LOT OF OPERATING TIME. JON KA1CKG ALSO LENT A HAND.

THE EFFORT REALLY KICKED INTO HIGH GEAR SUNDAY MORNING WITH A SUMPTUOUS BREAKFAST PROVIDED BY DICK WA1KUG. ABOUT THE ONLY SERIOUS THREAT CAME ABOUT 10 AM. WHEN JERRY KA1AIU'S GENERATOR QUIT WORKING. HOWEVER, SOME QUICK FIELD REPAIR BY MARC N1BLH BROUGHT IT BACK ON LINE AND IT WAS POWERING THE EFFORT FLAWLESSLY AS IT HAS DONE IN PAST YEARS.

A REAL BOON TO THE WHOLE FIELD DAY EFFORT WAS PROVIDED BY HAL WN1TKD AND SHANIE HIS XYL WA1WGX. THEY LENT US THEIR TRAVEL TRAILER FOR THE CONTEST AND IT PROVIDED NOT ONLY A GOOD OPERATING POSITION, BUT COMFORTABLE SLEEPING ACCOMODATIONS.

THIS EFFORT AT OUR 3A STATION THIS YEAR PRODUCED 980-PLUS QSO'S AND MORE THAN 3,000 POINTS, QUITE A GOOD EFFORT IN SPITE OF LOSING TIME ON THE CRUCIAL 20 METER BAND DUE TO THE ANTENNA PROBLEMS.

THE FRAMINGHAM AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION GIVES A TIP OF THE HAT TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED AND VISITED THE SITE. THEY INCLUDED [AS NEARLY AS I CAN REMEMBER] K1AZE, WA1KUG, WA1IGL, KA1CFC, N1GB, K1YHM, WA1WEV, WB9PZD, WB1FXR, KA1CKG, AG3V, WB4[???], W1NXC, KA1HIA, K1BPM, KA1DUF, [WHO ALSO PROVIDED THE DINNER SALAD] DICK WA1KUG'S XYL MARCIA [WHO PROVIDED THE EXCELLENT NOODLE PUDDING] K1VVC, AND WA1ZLA. IF I HAVE FORGOTTEN SOMEBODY, PLEASE ACCEPT MY APOLOGIES IN ADVANCE.

ALTOGETHER, IT WAS A GREAT EFFORT AND A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL, SEE YOU NEXT YEAR....MARC STERN N1BLH.....

AT A RECENT CHILI COOKING CONTEST HELD AT SHIPPERS WORLD, OUR CHEF, DICK MARSHALL WA1KUG, WON FIRST PRIZE FOR HIS CHILI, A \$60.00 GIFT CERTIFICATE FROM BEEF STEAK CHARLIES. YOU PEOPLE DIDN'T REALIZE YOU HAD A CORDON BLEU CHEF SERVING THE MEALS AT FIELD SAY. CONGRATS DICK.....

AT ITS JULY 1 OPEN MEETING, FCC HAS INSTRUCTED ITS STAFF TO DRAFT A NOTICE OF RULE MAKING DEALING WITH A CODELESS AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE. THIS NPRM WILL PROPOSE SIMPLY TO REMOVE THE CODE REQUIREMENT FROM THE PRESENT TECH CLASS LICENSE, WITH ACCESS LIMITED TO FREQUENCIES ABOVE 50 MHZ. THE PRESENT TECH CLASS LICENSE REQUIRING CODE AND PERMITTING ACCESS TO THE NOVICE BANDS WOULD ALSO REMAIN IN FORCE. HOWEVER, THE NPRM WILL ALSO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF A CODELESS DIGITAL LICENSE, SIMILAR TO CANADA'S DIGITAL RADIO OPERATOR CERTIFICATE, WHICH REQUIRES KNOWLEDGE OF DIGITAL THEORY. SUCH A DIGITAL LICENSE COULD BE THE ONLY CODELESS LICENSE OR IT COULD BE CONCURRENT WITH A CODELESS TECH LICENSE. THE NPRM WILL BE RELEASED SOMETIME THIS FALL, AND IT IS A PROPOSAL ONLY. THERE WILL BE A COMMENT PERIOD DURING WHICH ALL INTERESTED PARTIES WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO MAKE THEIR VIEWS KNOWN TO FCC.....QST....AUGUST.....

IN YOUR EDITORS OPINION, IF THESE GUYS ARE SO DAMN SMART, IT WOULD BE A GOOD LEARNING DISCIPLINE FOR THEM TO LEARN A 5 WPM MORSE CODE. WE SHOULD REALLY TRY AND KEEP THIS CAMELS NOSE OUT OF THE TENT...JIM...

**** SWAP AND SHOP ****

FOR SALE: ICOM IC-280 2-METER TRANSCIEVER, FULLY SYNTHESIZED, COVERS 143.9 TO 148.11 MHZ. COMPLETE WITH REMOTE CABLE [15 FEET] AND A "DRAKE" TOUCH-TONE MIKE. BUILT IN 5 CHANNEL SCANNER, 10 WATT OUTPUT. ASKING \$225.00

FOR SALE: "THS" 2 METER AMPLIFIER 2 WATTS IN - 20 WATTS OUT. GREAT FOR YOUR HT....ASKING....\$60.00

FOR SALE: "TPL" 2 METER AMPLIFIER, 10 WATTS IN - 80 WATTS OUT. FM OR SSB..ASKING....\$100.00

FOR SALE: MOTOROLA HT-220 UHF SLIM LINE WALKIE. TWO CHANNELS, WALTHAM 449.05 REPEAT AND SIMPLEX 449.20 [THIS IS MIT'S OUTPUT]. COMPLETE WITH CHARGER, SPARE ANTENNA, SPARE BATTERY PACKS, MANUALS AND OTHER ASSORTED GOODIES.....ASKING....\$300.00.

ALL PRICES ARE NEGOTIABLE...CONTACT BOB N1BRM AT 620-1836.....

SORRY, SOCIAL EVENTS COLUMN WILL RESUME NEXT MONTH.....

CONFUSION SAY: A COMMITTEE SHOULD CONSIST OF THREE MEN, TWO OF WHOM ARE ABSENT..... --.... --

